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Office Action Summary

Application No.

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Jane Rhee

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 29 January 2007.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-9 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 9 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 7/21/2005.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

1. Applicant's election without traverse of claims 1-8 in the reply filed on 1/29/2007 is acknowledged.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claims 1-8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Breen (4630384).

As to claim 1, Breen discloses a reinforced composite paper product comprising: at a first paper layer and at least a second paper layer (col. 2 lines 63-64) a plurality of first fiber strands extending across said first paper layer in a first direction (figure 1 number 19) a plurality of second fiber strands extending across said first fiber strands in a second direction (figure 1 number 21), a binding composition disposed between said first paper layer and said second paper layer, said composition retaining said first fiber strands and said second fiber strands in said directions and binding said strands between said first and said second paper layers and further binding said first paper layer to said second paper layer (col. 2 line 65 teaches lamination).

As to claim 2, Breen discloses a reinforced composite paper product comprising: a plurality of paper layers; a plurality of first fiber strands extending in a first direction

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between any two adjacent layers of said plurality of paper layers (col. 2 lines 63-67) a plurality of second fiber strands extending in a second direction between said any two adjacent layers of said plurality of paper layers (col. 2 lines 63-67), a binding composition disposed between said any two adjacent layers of said plurality of paper layers, said composition retaining said plurality of said first and second fiber strands in said directions and binding said strands between said any two adjacent paper layers and further binding said any two adjacent paper layers to each other (col. 2 line 65 teaches lamination).

As to claim 3, Breen discloses wherein said binding composition is disposed between said plurality of paper layers binding all of said paper layers and said fiber strands into a single, multi-layered composite sheet (col. 2 line 65 teaches lamination).

As to claim 4, Breen discloses wherein said all of said first fiber strands extend in a same first direction and all of said second fiber strands extend in a same second direction (figure 1 number 19 and 21).

As to claim 5, Breen discloses wherein a portion of said plurality of second fiber strands extend across said first fiber strands in a third direction (figure 1 number 21).

As to claim 6, Breen discloses wherein a first portion of said second fiber strands extends diagonally across said first fiber strands in a first diagonal direction and a second portion of said second fiber strands extends diagonally across said first fiber strands in a second opposite diagonal direction (figure 1 number 21).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

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The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

3. Claims 7 and 8 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Breen in view of Abrams et al. (2348687).

Breen discloses the reinforced paper described above. As to claim 7, Breen fail to disclose wherein an outermost first and second paper layer is covered with a composition selected from the group consisting of a water proofing treatment composition, a corrosion proofing treatment composition, a thermal insulating composition, a fire retardation composition, and an abrasion resistance composition. As to claim 8, Breen fail to disclose wherein an outermost one of said plurality of paper layers is covered with a composition selected from the group consisting of a water proofing treatment composition, a corrosion proofing treatment composition, a thermal insulating composition, a fire retardation composition, and an abrasion resistance composition.

Abrams et al. teaches compositions used to coat paper for the purpose of providing a waterproof coating (col. 2 lines 35 and col. 3 lines 17-20).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time applicant's invention was made to provide an outermost first and second paper layer is covered with a composition selected from the group consisting of a water

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proofing treatment in order to waterproof the tag as taught by Abrams et al. (col. 5 line 65).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jane Rhee whose telephone number is 571-272-1499. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 9-6.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Patrick Ryan can be reached on 571-272-1292. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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